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Managing Water in the West

Reclamation Meeting on *Managing For Excellence* Breakout Session: Major Repair Challenges

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Major Repair Challenges

Overall Objectives:

- Sustainable infrastructure
- Sustainable financial viability for water users
- Customer involvement
- Transparent process

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Action Item 19:

Involving stakeholders to increase value of major repair projects

Tasks:

- **Interview stakeholders**
- **Determine where “Adding Value” is timely in project management**
- **Inventory measures that add value**
- **Develop screening process for added value measures**
- **Develop library of success stories**
- **Develop recommendations for review by subject matter experts and leadership**

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Progress to Date:

- **Formed Multi-disciplinary team**
- **Held “Brainstorming” meetings**
- **Made informal contacts to gather data on repair projects**
- **Compiled and reviewed case studies**
- **Examined level of stakeholder involvement**
- **Drafted inventory of “Add-Value” measures**
- **Researched role of “Adding Value” in project management**

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Next Steps:

- **Continue to develop focus areas:**
 - Strengthening Partnering Relationships**
 - Procurement Methods**
 - Stakeholder participation with executing work**
 - Partnering with Other Agencies**
 - “Adding Value” in Project Management**
- **Continue outreach to stakeholders**
- **Incorporate stakeholder input to draft products**
- **Finalize and document recommendations**

Stakeholder Input:

- What does “adding value to major repair projects” mean to you?
 - In what ways can Reclamation “add value”?

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Stakeholder Input:

- Do you have an experience to share where an innovative method was used to add value to a major repair project?

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Stakeholder Input:

- Do you have suggestions for strengthening partnering relationships for major repairs?

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Stakeholder Input:

- Do you have suggestions for adding value to Reclamation's project management for completing major repair projects?
 - Planning process (justification, budgeting, project management)?
 - Design process (design specification, performance specification, design source)?
 - Procurement process (IDIQ, other agency contracts)?
 - Contract administration process (change orders, dispute resolution, close-out, electronic documentation)?
 - Construction management process (on-site, off-site)?
 - Contract cost reduction?
 - Non-contract cost reduction?

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Stakeholder Input:

- Do you think there have been missed opportunities to add value to major repair projects?
 - Give examples
 - In what areas have opportunities been missed?

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Stakeholder Input:

- Do you have any additional suggestions for other ways Reclamation can add value to major repair projects?

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